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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Release Date/Time:September 12th, 2014 at 7:00 PM

Subject: Fatality Traffic Collision

Case Number: 14-014033

Details:

On Friday, September 12th, at about 12:20 PM, the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of 9812 Hamilton Avenue regarding a traffic collision involving multiple vehicles and two pedestrians.

Arriving officers located eight damaged vehicles and two injured pedestrians in and around the property at 9812 Hamilton. Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics responded and transported five people to area hospitals. A 44 year old male from Huntington Beach was critically injured and succumbed to his injuries at the scene. His identity is being withheld until next of kin is notified.

All of the vehicles involved in the collision remained at the scene. A silver 2008 Honda Pilot driven by a 41 year old female from Huntington Beach, along with an eight year old girl and a four year old boy, were transported to Western Medical Center-Santa Ana. The driver was believed to have moderate injuries while the girl had minor injuries. The boy didn't appear to be injured. A 78 year old female from Huntington Beach, driving a red 2009 Pontiac G8, was transported to UCI Medical Center with moderate injuries. A 34 year old female from Santa Ana was driving a gray 2003 GMC Yukon and was uninjured. The second pedestrian, a 52 year old male from Huntington Beach, was transported to UCI Medical Center with major injuries.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the silver Honda Pilot was crossing Hamilton when it collided with the red Pontiac G8 and the gray GMC Yukon. The silver Honda continued traveling back towards 9812 Hamilton when it struck the two pedestrians and five parked vehicles which were in or near the parking lot.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). All of the drivers were cooperative with the investigating officers. No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. Investigators would like to speak to anyone who might have seen the events leading up to and including the collision.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Tai Huynh at 714-536-5670 or Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.